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- (2) An employee who is serving with a U.S. mission to a public international organization—15 days.
- (3) An employee who is serving at a post for which payment of a foreign or nonforeign (but not a tropical) differential of 20 percent or more is authorized by law or regulation—15 days.
- (4) An employee not included in paragraph (a) (1), (2), or (3) of this section who is serving at a post for which payment of a foreign or territorial (but not a tropical) differential of at least 10 percent but less than 20 percent is authorized by law or regulation—10 days.
- (5) An employee not included in paragraph (a) (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section—5 days.
- (6) An employee included under (a) (1) through (5) of this section whose civilian service abroad is interrupted by a tour of duty in the Armed Forces of the United States, for the duration of such tour—0 (zero) days.
- (b) An agency shall credit home leave to an employee's leave account, as earned, in multiples of 1 day.

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## §630.605 Computation of home leave.

(a) For each month of service abroad, an employee earns home leave under the rates fixed by §630.604(a) in the amounts set forth in the following table:

HOME LEAVE-EARNING TABLE [Days earned]

Months of service abroad	Earning rate (days for each 12 months)		
	15	10	5
1	1 2 3 5 6 7 8	0 1 2 3 4 5	11 12 22 22 22 22
8 9 10 11	10 11 12 13	6 7 8 9	3 2 2
12	15	10	

(b) When an employee moves between different home leave-earning rates during a month of service abroad, or when a change in the differential during a month of service abroad results in a different home leave-earning rate, the

agency shall credit the employee with the amount of home leave for the month at the rate to which he was entitled before the change in his home leave-earning rate.

## §630.606 Grant of home leave.

- (a) Entitlement. Except as otherwise authorized by statute, an employee is entitled to home leave only when he has completed a basic service period of 24 months of continuous service abroad. This basic service period is terminated by (1) a break in service of 1 or more workdays, or (2) an assignment (other than a detail) to a position in which an employee is no longer subject to section 6305(a) of title 5, United States Code.
- (b) Agency authority. A grant of home leave is at the discretion of an agency. An agency may grant home leave in combination with other leaves of absence in accordance with established agency policy.
- (c) *Limitations*. An agency may grant home leave only:
- (1) For use in the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory or possession of the United States; and
- (2) During an employee's period of service abroad, or within a reasonable period after his return from service abroad when it is contemplated that he will return to service abroad immediately or on completion of an assignment in the United States.

Home leave not granted during a period named in paragraph (c)(2) of this section may be granted only when the employee has completed a further substantial period of service abroad. This further substantial period of service abroad may not be less than the tour of duty prescribed for the employee's post of assignment, except when the agency determines that an earlier grant of home leave is warranted in an individual case.

- (d) Charging of home leave. The minimum charge for home leave is 1 day and additional charges are in multiples thereof.
- (e) Refund for home leave. An employee is indebted for the home leave used by him when he fails to return to service abroad after the period of home